

MINUTES

Attendees: Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District
Pam Torliatt, City of Petaluma
Syed Rizvi, North Marin Water District
Matt Mullan, Town of Windsor
Jim Downey, Penngrove & Kenwood Water Co
George Roberts, Forestville Water District
Dale Shaddox, City of Cotati
Toni Bertolero, City of Cotati
Steve Phelps, Marin Municipal Water District
Ron Theisen, Marin Municipal Water District
Tom Hargis, City of Petaluma
David Willer, Valley of the Moon Water District
Lee Harry, Valley of the Moon Water District
Tim Anderson, Sonoma County Water Agency
Joe Gaffney, City of Rohnert Park
Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park
Dell Tredinnick, City of Santa Rosa
Randy Poole, Sonoma County Water Agency
Dave Pinsky, City of Santa Rosa
Virginia Porter, City of Santa Rosa
Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa
John Nelson, Water Resources Management
Pam Nicolai, Marin Municipal Water District
Pam Jeane, Sonoma County Water Agency
Jack Gibson, Marin Municipal Water District

Public Attendees: Brenda Adelman, Russian River Watershed Protection Committee
Jane Bender
Mike Bond

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order.

B. Introductions

The attendees made introductions.

C. Public Comments

Brenda Adelman, Russian River Watershed Protection Committee, informed the committee that she was concerned with making the public aware of the serious water situation. Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa, stated that the best management practices were being followed and that we should be in good shape for the summer.

D. Approval of June 4, 2001 Minutes

The minutes were approved.

E. Update on Impairment Condition Mou Implementation

Tim Anderson, Sonoma County Water Agency, stated that all 10 contractors have responded. Mr. Anderson then did an overview of the timelines of the spreadsheets. He asked for any corrections or updates for the spreadsheets as he was going to finalize them and mail them later in the week

F. Election for Chairperson

Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District, nominated Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa for the post. Pam Torliatt, City of Petaluma, seconded the motion. The committee voted unanimously to elect Mr. Ferris.

G. Report on Surface Treatment Facility

Randy Poole, Sonoma County Water Agency, explained the purpose and nature of various projects and the options that were available including a surface water treatment plant, the pipeline from Warm Springs Dam to Mirabel, ranney collectors and others. He said that the National Marine Fisheries would do a biological opinion. Mr. Poole also reported that the Sonoma County Water Agency will be working with the National Marine Fisheries and the Army Corps Engineers to look at flow changes in Dry Creek and the Russian River.

Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park, asked how the Russian River would be

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affected by gravel mining. Randy Poole, Sonoma County Water Agency answered that gravel mining is diminishing, and has not affected the water quality of the agency's facilities. Mr. Mackenzie then asked how contracts further north would be impacted and Mr. Poole answered that they would not be impacted.

Brenda Adelman, Russian River Watershed Protection Committee, asked if the discussion of alternatives would be part of the Biological Assessment, or would there be an EIR. Mr. Poole answered that an EIR/EIS may be initiated after the Biological Assessment and Biological Opinion. Dave Willer, Valley of the Moon Water District, asked if we could legally pump beyond the established 92MGD, and Mr. Poole answered that he had no legal opinion. Pam Torliatt asked if the new collector is designed to pump 10MGD beyond 92MGD. Mr. Poole answered that the collectors may at times produce greater than that amount, but it was not to be counted on. Ms. Torliatt asked who grants capacity beyond 92MGD. Mr. Poole answered that the State Water Board did.

Ms Adelman asked if 120MGD is the peak, and Mr. Poole answered that water rights are to 120MGD every day, up to seventy five thousand acre feet annual entitlement.

H. Written Update on Implementation of Amendment 11

Randy Poole, SCWA, informed the committee that work has begun on documentation for the Petaluma aqueduct. He said that draft EIR should be ready by next summer, and that the goal is to have certification by December 2002 to January 2003. Mr. Poole also said that workshops about the plan would start in October. Chris DeGabriele, NMWD, asked that there be monthly update meetings.

Ron Theissen, MMWD, asked about the status of the new financial analysis and Mr. Poole said that he would be sending them out soon.

I. Written Schedule for Petaluma Aqueduct Backup Power

Pam Jeane, Sonoma County Water Agency, said that agency staff has been talking with manufacturing suppliers and can lease a generator. Agency staff said that they are working with PG&E on configuration and continue to work on property owner issues. Chuck Hildebrand, owner of the property adjacent to the Ely Boost Station is hesitant to have anyone on his property. Randy Poole, SCWA, stated that it's difficult to deal with the electrical equipment in the old pump station. Pam Torliatt, City of Petaluma, asked if the pump station is being rebuilt. Mr. Poole answered that it was planned to strip out old electrical boxes, updating the facility rather than rebuilding. Ms. Torliatt asked if they were budgeting for a total upgrade and Mr. Poole replied affirmatively. Ms. Torliatt then asked if there was a line item in the budget and Mr. Poole again answered yes. Ms. Torliatt asked if Mr. Poole could provide us with the location of the line item in the budget. He agreed to provide information on where the line item is in the budget for the upgrade of the Ely Booster pump. He also said he would provide the schedule for the upgrade. Joe Gaffney, City of Rohnert Park, asked how the plan to move the SCWA facility over to block 50 was going, and Mr. Poole said that he was not very optimistic,

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and that it was on a rotating schedule.

Brenda Adelman, Russian River Watershed Protection Committee, stated that she had water delivery systems concerns regarding the hot weather, and water and electrical usage. Pam Nicolai, Marin Municipal Water District explained her program's approach to water conservation.

Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa, stated that information about water conservation is sent with bills and that rates have been increased for electricity.

J. Other Business

Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa, stated that as part of the new agreement for water supply, each contractor needs to appoint a lead negotiator. John Nelson, Water Resources Management said that he is working with Pam Jeane and Kiergan Pegg to get a draft of the website up soon. Mr. Nelson said that the workshops were being designed and he requested email lists for notification. Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa, suggested that a year calendar be set up. Various contractors offered sites in Santa Rosa, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, and Novato. Matt Mullan, Town of Windsor, had concerns about conflicts between all the meetings and asked if there could be some sort of master meeting schedule. A discussion was held and a decision was made to go with go with Thursday evenings. It was decided that the first meeting would be held August 30, 7:00-9:00 pm so that the public could attend. Mr. Nelson said he would try to confirm that date.

K. Items for Next Agenda

Schedule for Emergency Generator and ELY Pump Stations
Discussion of Progress On New Agreement Workshops

L. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned. The next Water Advisory Committee was set for Monday August 6 at 9:00 am at the Laguna Treatment, Estuary/Wetlands conference room.

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